

THE SACHEM 1944



*Gold is for glory,
Blue is for truth;
What colors better
To fly in our youth?*

· AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL
AGAWAM, MASSACHUSETTS



OUR SCHOOL

Cornerstone laid in 1921 — twenty-five members in the first graduating class June, 1924 — addition built 1929 — our alumni now exceed twelve hundred.

DEDICATION



WE, the Class of 1944, pay tribute to the two hundred and fifty-seven graduates of Agawam High who now serve our country in camp and on the battle fronts of the world. We salute also the many others in the service who were for a short time enrolled in this school.

To the quiet courage with which these Agawam men and women, like millions of other Americans, are contributing to the realization of those ideals enshrined in the hearts of all true patriots, we dedicate this book.



Our Superintendent

MR. BENJAMIN J. PHELPS

Has guided Agawam's educational system for twenty-two years — respected by all Agawam students — enthusiastic about fishing and gardening — seldom seen without his dog.



Our Principal

MR. FREDERICK T. DACEY

Associated with Agawam High School since its opening — friend and adviser of all students — we like his numerous stories.



OUR FACULTY

First Row (down) — Mrs. Aldrich, Miss Lynch, Mrs. Grover, Mr. Langlois, Miss Perry, Miss Belyea. *Second Row* — Mrs. Blake, Miss Ward, Miss Benotti, Mr. Harris, Mr. Smith. *Third Row* — Miss Dickerman, Miss Trowbridge, Miss Krone, Mr. Moseley, Miss Miller. *Fourth Row* — Miss Hastings, Mr. Schinelli, Miss Smith, Mrs. Nardi, Mr. Quirk, Mrs. Hadley.



FORMER '44s—NOW IN SERVICE

First Row (down) — Pvt. Leslie Linnehan (Paratrooper), Donald Taddia S 2/c, Lewis Jones Ph. M. 3/c. *Second Row* — Peter Cebrelli P. O. 3/c, Pfc. Warren Roberts, Donald Benson S 2/c, Charles Cartello S 2/c (Coast Guard). *Third Row* — Francis Hart S 1/c, Robert Quackenbush S 2/c, Elmer Johnson S 2/c.

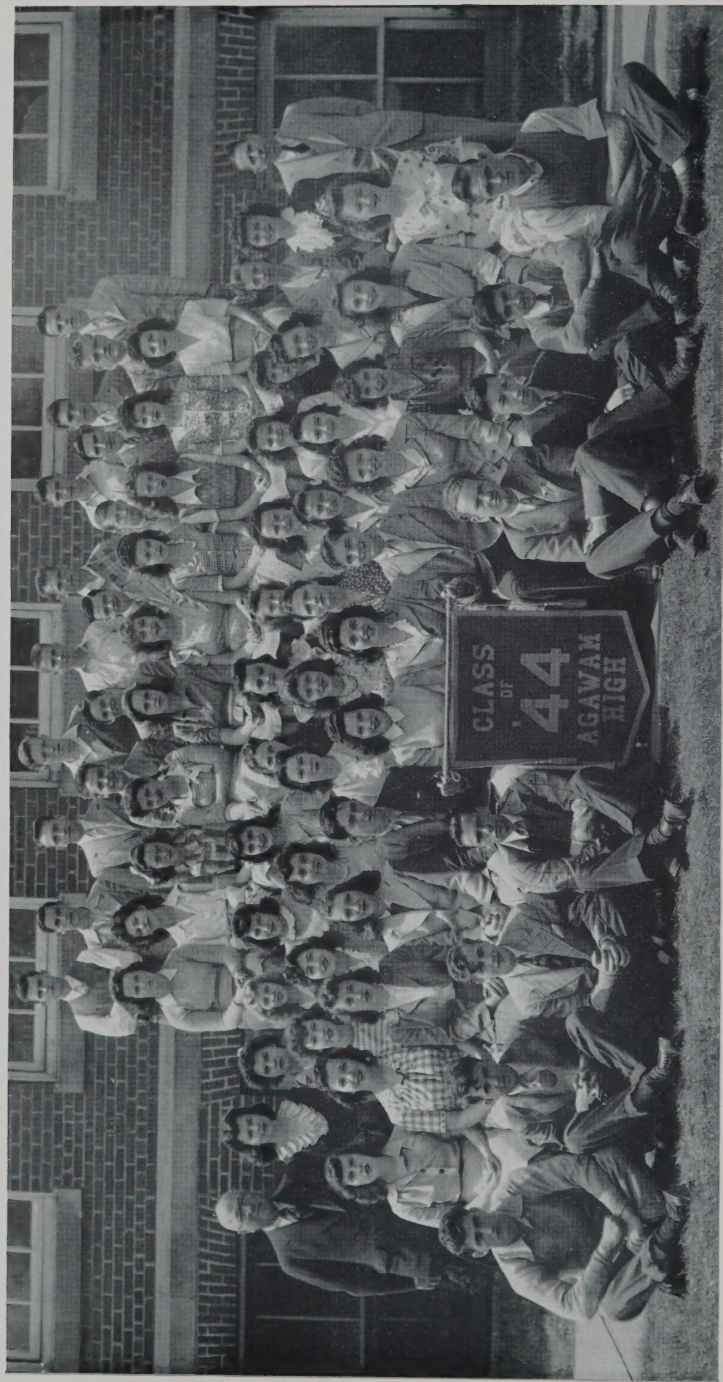
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First Row (down) — Pfc. Joe Bassani (Marine), Robert Beauchane F 2/c, Edward West S 1/c, Robert Gibbs F 1/c, *Second Row* — Leo Simonetta P. O. 3/c, Ralph Bottaro S 1/c, Pvt. Charles Hackett, Albert Lepore S 1/c.

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SENIOR CLASS

OFFICERS

FRANK CAROLEO, *President*

MARY MANOS, *Secretary*

EVELYN GIORDANO, *Vice-President*

RICHARD LANGDON, *Treasurer*

OFFICERS

FRANK P. CAROLEO, JR. 1049 River Road, Agawam

Frankie. Our Harry James — headed for the top — loves flashy ties — "Will the meeting please come to order?"
Student Council 4; Band 1-2-3; Orchestra 2-3-4; Camera Club, Treasurer 4; Personality Club 3-4; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play; Hi-Y, Secretary 4; Track Manager 2; Class President 4; Kid Party Entertainment; SACHEM Staff; Stage Door Canteen 4; Red Cross Representative.



EVELYN M. GIORDANO Highland Street, Feeding Hills

Evy. Pretty — mmm — admired for her friendliness — dimples — Margie's "twin."
Pro Merito; Student Council 3; *Mirror* Staff 4; Junior Marshal; French Club 2; Basketball 2; Softball 2; Field Hockey 2-4; Volley Ball 2; Class Officer, Vice-President 4; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; Kid Party; SACHEM Staff; Class Will; Senior Play; Cabaret Committee; Tri-Hi 3-4.



MARY MANOS 109 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills

Dark, curly hair — personality rare, sweet, pleasant — snappy little jitterbug.
Victory Corps 2; Student Council 3; Band 1; Camera Club 3; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Tri-Hi 3-4, Secretary 4; Basketball 2-4; Field Hockey 2-4; SACHEM Staff; Class Prophecy 4; Graduation Usher; Senior Play Publicity Committee; Softball 2-4; Volley Ball 2-4; Class Officer, Secretary 4; Personality Club 2; Sophomore Party Committee 2; Prom Committee 3; Senior Play Usher.



RICHARD M. LANGDON, JR. 24 Cleveland St., Feeding Hills

Lang. Our banker — look out when he gets his airplane! — witty remarks — a favorite with the girls.
Student Council 4; Camera Club 4; Kid Party; Red Cross; Class Officer, Treasurer 4; SACHEM Staff; Senior Play.



MEMBERS

GLORIA PATRICIA ALDRICH Federal Heights, Agawam
(Transferred from Westfield High — 1942)

Little Jumping-Jack — smooth sweater 'n' skirt outfits — loves to skate — lady-like manners.
Pro Merito; French Club 3; Tri-Hi 4.

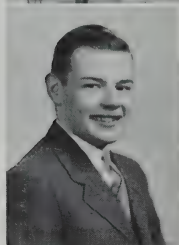




CLAIRE M. BARDEN

Barden Street, Agawam

Patsy. Everyone's pal — cute freckles and unruly hair — always kidding — a true friend.
Kid Party; Senior Play Usher 4.



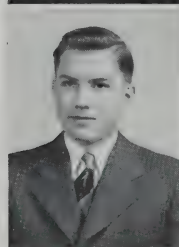
RALPH LUSCOMBE BARKER, JR. 18 Albert Street, Agawam

Bark. Friendly and courteous — that long stride — likes square dancing — a faithful big brother.
Camera Club 3-4; Masque 2; Kid Party; Hi-Y; Basketball 3; Prom Committee; Cabaret Entertainment; Senior Play Committee; Class Prophecy; Christmas Play 1.



JEAN A. BLACKBURN North West Street, Feeding Hills

Jeanie. Warm brown eyes — talented orator — blushes daintily — sings in the choir — "Infantry?"
Pro Merito; *Mirror* Staff 3-4; Band 1-2-3; Orchestra 1-2-3-4; Oratorical Contest 2-3; Second Prize 3; Cabaret Committee; Senior Play; Class Color Committee; Operetta 2; Tri-Hi 3-4, Vice-President 4; Class Officer, Vice-President 2, Secretary 3; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff Editor; Class Prophecy; Cap and Gown Committee; Stage Door Canteen 4.



THOMAS L. BLANCHARD, JR. 194 Walnut St., No. Agawam

Bud. Enthusiastic hunter — tall — slim — neat.
Hi-Y 3-4.



JOYCE MARIE BOWE 329 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills

Very pleasant — friendly smile — efficient and neat — loves to dance.
Pro Merito; Cabaret Committee 3; Class Gifts; Class Song 4; Tri-Hi 3; Prom Committee; Senior Play Business Committee, Chairman.

MARJORIE BRAYTON

North Street, Feeding Hills

Jay. Keeps up morale of soldiers — likes to sing — good sport.
Personality Club 2.



ERNEST G. BRUSSEAU

North Street, Feeding Hills

Bruce. Class artist and musician — comedian — lone boy in the Office Practice Class — not so quiet when you know him.
Mirror Staff 4; International Relations Club 4; Camera Club 3-4; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play; Class Gifts; Prom Committee; SACHEM Staff; Class Song.



WILLIAM F. CASCELLA 69 Walnut Street, North Agawam

Causty. A regular cowboy — mischievous — always ready with a joke.
Student Council 1.



CONCETTA E. CASIELLO

74 Lealand Avenue, Agawam

Joyce. Dark eyes — what a dimple — came from West Side but likes Agawam better, of course — cute smile.
Mirror Staff 3; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Class Gifts; Tri-Hi 3; Prom Committee 3; Senior Play Committee; Wardrobe Committee.



JEREMIAH ARTHUR CASSIDY

270 Mill Street, Agawam

Jerry. What a howl! — always in trouble — one of the top men in football — afraid of no one but his Dad — lots of mischief.
Cabaret Committee; Hi-Y 4; Football Squad 1-2-3-4, Team 4; Cabaret Entertainment.





ELEANOR C. CASTELLINI 112 Moore St., North Agawam

El. Gracious little lady—our model of style—always a friendly smile and word—part of the threesome.
Student Council 4; Kid Party; Banquet Committee; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Field Hockey 1; Volley Ball 1.



DONALD R. CATCHEPAUGH 44 Elm Street, Agawam

Don. Tease—the inside of his car looks like an art museum—first-rate cameraman.
International Relations Club 3-4; Camera Club 3-4; Personality Club 3-4, President 4; Cabaret Committee; Senior Play; Hi-Y 3-4; Track Squad 2-3-4; SACHEM Staff; Stage Door Canteen 4.



WANDA P. CHMIELEWSKI S. Westfield St., Feeding Hills

Vonn. Oh, so quiet and polite—loves apples—she's going to make a very efficient nurse.
French Club; Tri-Hi 3; Basketball 4; Baseball 4; Hockey 4.



KENNETH W. CLARKE 319 Suffield Street, Agawam

Kenny. Always in a hurry, even on roller skates—cute as sister Ginny—headed for Navy—Smooth sailing.
SACHEM Staff.



ROSE A. COLE West Street, Feeding Hills

Rosie. Nice to know—our faithful librarian—square-dancing is tops with her—"Calling Dr. Kildare."
Tri-Hi 3-4; Prom Committee; Senior Play Usher.

FLORENCE MAY CONKEY Northwood St., Feeding Hills

Flo. Likes square-dancing—busy and efficient secretary—active Grange member—bookkeeper for the *Mirror*.
Pro Merito; *Mirror* Staff 1-2-3-4; Camera Club 3-4; French Club 2-3; Tri-Hi 3-4; Senior Play Usher.



DOROTHY A. COOPER 1182 Springfield St., Feeding Hills

Dottie. Short in stature but long in friendliness—always a smile—often wears red.
French Club 2; Tri-Hi 3-4; Prom Committee.



MARGARET C. CRAIGIE 114 Maple Street, North Agawam

Marg. Pretty clothes—likes to dance—very friendly—typical sub-deb.
Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Field Hockey 1; Volley Ball 1.



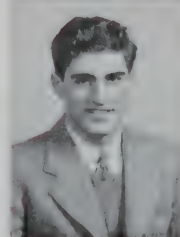
ALICE DEFORGE 90 Bridge Street, North Agawam

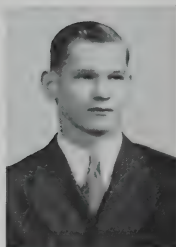
Al. Nice dark hair—tall and slim—good in sports—friendly smile—her voice is low.
Class Gifts; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Hockey 1; Volley Ball 1; Senior Play Usher.



PHIL DEPALMA 12 Garden Street, Feeding Hills

Tall—dark—neat dresser—he and his car delight the bobby-sock brigade—our nomination for All-American.
Student Council 1-3-4; Cabaret Committee; Red Cross; Football Squad 1-2, Team 3-4; Basketball Squad 1-3-4, Team 4; Track Squad 1, Team 2-3-4.





HENRY A. DREWNOWSKI Shoemaker Lane, Feeding Hills

Hank. Rather quiet—plays football—tall and slim—"one chocolate sundae, please."

Football Squad 2, Team 3-4; Track Team 3-4.



JOHN DUPLESSIS

6 Pomeroy Street, Agawam

Herc. Hot piano and tuba player—"professor" of numerous subjects—steer clear of his cough drops!—Miss Dickerman's "bessy"—remember the Ala-Moo?

Pro Merito; Student Council 3; *Mirror* Staff 3-4; Band 2-3; Orchestra 3; Camera Club, President 3-4; Personality Club 3; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Operetta 2; Hi-Y 3-4; Sophomore Party Committee; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Prom Committee; Cabaret Entertainment; Kid Party Entertainment; SACHEM Staff.



HENRY C. EARLE

1026 Main Street, Agawam

Hank. Tall—wavy hair—bicycle enthusiast—shy until you know him.



JOYCE ELAINE FELL 62 Fairview Ave., West Springfield

Blondie. Giggles a lot—wonderful sense of humor—beautiful hair—a lovely deep voice!

French Club 2; Tri-Hi 4; Basketball 4; Baseball 4; Hockey 4; Volley Ball 4; Cabaret Entertainment; Kid Party Entertainment; Senior Play Committee; Senior Play Usher.



VIRGINIA MARIE FIELDSTAD

159 South Street, Agawam

Ginny. Lovely blonde hair—blue eyes—a charming little poetess—on the quiet side—looks lovely in blue—Is it Alby?

French Club 2; Kid Party; Senior Play Committee; Class Poem.

HENRY FORTIER, JR. 56 River Street, North Agawam

Hank. Loves to roller skate—nothing ever worries him, especially girls—always ready to give friendly advice to those who need it.

Student Council 2-3-4; Camera Club 3; French Club 3; Personality Club 2-3; Cabaret Committee; Stage Door Canteen; Operetta 2; Hi-Y 3-4; President 3-4; Football Squad 1-2; Baseball Squad 1-2; Sophomore Party Committee; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Prom Committee, General Chairman; Cabaret Entertainment; Kid Party Entertainment.



LOIS FOURNIER 12 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills

Lo. Plays the piano—a smile for all—magnetic personality—good sport.

Camera Club 2, Secretary 3-4; Cabaret Committee; Senior Play; Graduation Usher; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 4; Hockey 4; Class Officer, Vice-President 1-3; Sophomore Party Committee; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff; Cheerleader 2; Cap and Gown Committee; Red Cross.



WILLIAM RICHARD FUSCO 172 Leonard Street, Agawam

Fuzzy. Quiet, shy—quite the actor—calm and collected.

Senior Play; Class History; Senior Play Committee; Class Motto Committee; Banquet Committee.



DOROTHY MAE GOYETTE Maynard Street, Feeding Hills

Dot. How she socks the soft ball—merry giggle—where did those pigtailed go?—often with Wanda.

Tri-Hi 4; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Hockey 1-4; Volley Ball 1-4.



JOYCE MYRTIS GRANGER So. Westfield St., Feeding Hills

Rusty. Flaming red hair but good-natured—likes square-dancing—dungaree girl.

Personality Club 2; Tri-Hi 4.

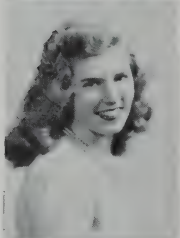




SHIRLEY JEAN HARE

49 Adams St., Agawam

Bunny. Bee Number 4—Mmmn!—often seen roller skating—she loves only one (a sailor)—what dimples! French Club 2; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play; Operetta 1-2; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 2; Baseball 2; Hockey 2; Volley Ball 2; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; Cabaret Entertainment; Kid Party Entertainment; Senior Play Committee; SACHEM Staff; Class Will; Cheerleader 2-4; Graduation Usher; Banquet Committee.



BARBARA HARTLEY

226 Walnut St., North Agawam

Bobbie. Athletic—lovely blonde wavy hair—full of pep and vigor—always in West Side. Personality Club 2; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hockey 1-2-3-4; Volley Ball 1-2-3-4; Captain of Army.



MARJORIE B. HELFRICH

95 S. Westfield St., Feeding Hills

Margee. Lovely auburn hair—"sporty" clothes—a Glenn Miller fan—good in sports—liked by all. Pro Merito; *Mirror* Staff 4; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Red Cross; Senior Play Committee; Marine Captain; Tri-Hi 3-4; Treasurer 4; Basketball 2-4; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hockey 2-4; Volley Ball 2-4; Class Officer, Secretary 2; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Cabaret Entertainment; SACHEM Staff; Class Prophecy; Class Color Committee 2; Senior Play Reading Committee, Chairman.



ELIZABETH LAVIOLETTE

1189 Main Street, Agawam

Betty. Our baton twirler—such a lovely smile—lots of fun—part of a delightful twosome—"stormy weather." Band, Majorette 3-4; Senior Play Usher; Tri-Hi 4; Basketball 2-4; Baseball 2-4; Hockey 2-4; Volley Ball 2-4; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff; Class Prophecy; Graduation Usher; Senior Play Usher.



JEANNE T. LETENDRE

27 Letendre Avenue, Feeding Hills

Jeanie. Oh gee!—that typing work!—such beautiful hair—where are my glasses?—is he a Junior, Jeanie? Cabaret Committee; Operetta 2; Tri-Hi 3-4; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Cabaret Entertainment; SACHEM Staff; Stage Door Canteen; Senior Play Usher.

VIRGINIA LOCKENWITZ 1083 River Road, Agawam

Lee. Cute dimples—heart-throb in the Airborne Engineers—friendly.

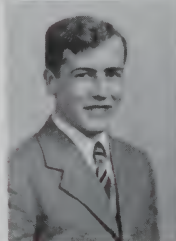
French Club 2-3; Tri-Hi 3; Senior Play Usher.



EUGENE MAGIERA 106 Moore Street, North Agawam

Gene. Girls, girls, girls, and more girls—curly locks—friendly—one of the "Andrew sisters."

Student Council 3-4, President 4; Camera Club 3; Personality Club 2-3-4, Vice-President 3, Treasurer 4; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Class Color Committee; Operetta 1-2; Hi-Y 3-4; Prom Committee; Cabaret Entertainment; Kid Party Entertainment; SACHEM Staff; Class Will; Cheerleader 2; Stage Door Canteen 4.



NORMA McKEOWN 25 South Park Terrace, Agawam

(Transferred from Christopher Columbus High—1942)

Very intelligent—studious—often seen around the halls with that certain someone.

Pro Merito; *Mirror* Staff 3-4; International Relations Club 4; Camera Club 4; Senior Play Business Committee.



KENNETH M. OLIVER 7 Lealand Avenue, Agawam

Ken. "Solid"—likes roller skating—good basketball player—dark eyes.

Hi-Y 4; Basketball Team 4; Baseball Squad 1-2.



MARY QUIRK 355 Springfield Street, North Agawam

Admired for her friendliness—sweet—studious—chum of Joyce.

Pro Merito; French Club 3; Cabaret Committee; Class Gifts; Tri-Hi 3; Prom Committee.





L. MARJORIE RAFFINETTI 8 Annable Street, Feeding Hills

Marge. Well-dressed — efficient — living dynamo — the other half of the "twins."

Pro Merito; Student Council, Vice-President 3, Secretary 4; *Mirror* Staff, Advertising Manager 4; Junior Marshal; French Club 2; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play; Operetta 1, Usher 2; Tri-Hi 3-4; Class Officer, Secretary 1; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff; Class Will.



ALBERT RAMAH 150 Cooper Street, Agawam

Mutiny. Loves speeches — Senior Ramah — dark eyes — fooling, fooling, always fooling.
Senior Play Electrician.



IRVING RICHMAN 1187 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills

Red. Always a gentlemen — entertaining speeches in English class — red, wavy hair — likes the name "Frieda."
International Relations Club 4, President; Camera Club 4.



VERA ROGERSON Annable Street, Feeding Hills

Vee. Friendly — quiet — pretty — likes dancing.
Operetta 2; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Cheerleader 2; Senior Play Usher.

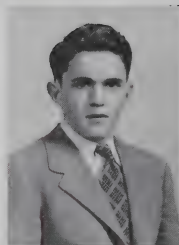


SUSIE J. SADAK 145 Franklin Street, Feeding Hills

Patty. One of the "four bees" — lots of pep — has private art gallery — you know when she's around.
Student Council 3; French Club 2; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play Usher; Operetta 1; Operetta Usher; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 2-3; Baseball 2-3; Hockey 2-3; Volley Ball 2-3; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff; Class Will; Cheerleader 4.

EDWARD GEORGE ST. PETER, JR. Fenton St., Feeding Hills

Chubby. Quite the skater — always time for fun — often seen riding around in his beach-wagon.
Kid Party; Hi-Y 4.



ERNEST ELBERT SCOVILLE 58 Wilson St., North Agawam

Ernie. Sandwiches with onions — athletic — likes hunting.
Cabaret Committee; Senior Play; Football Squad 1-2-3, Team 4;
Basketball Squad 3, Team 4; Track Squad 3-4.



PAUL JOHN SMARSE 36 Hall Street, Feeding Hills

Mickey. Always a joke ready — "Here comes the Groom" —
Air Corps.
Operetta 2; Hi-Y 3.



BETTY JANE SMITH Congamond Road, Southwick

(Transferred from Westfield High — 1943)

Smitty. Oh Babe! won't you roll those eyes! — rising star,
Peggy.
Senior Play.



MARGARET A. SMITH 114 Maple Street, North Agawam

Marg. Sweet and quiet — pretty blonde hair — one of the
Margarets surrounding Eleanor.
Kid Party; Tri-Hi 4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Hockey 1; Volley
Ball 1.





ALICE MAE STEELE

927 Main Street Agawam

Al. Friendly—dependable—always ready to lend a helping hand—likes to go roller skating—mother in the Senior Play.

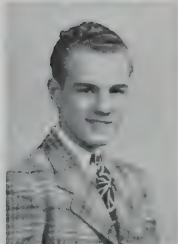
Student Council 4; *Mirror* Staff 3-4; Camera Club 3-4, Vice-President 4; Christmas Play; Cabaret Committee; Banquet Committee; Class History; Graduation Usher; Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Hockey 1; Volley Ball 1; Prom Committee; Prom Usher; SACHEM Staff; Senior Play.



BEATRICE M. STRATTON

583 Main Street, Agawam

Beets. Big brown eyes—witty—dependable—slick artist—I l-o-v-e Algebra! (?)—War Stamp booster for room 21. Pro Merito; Student Council 4; *Mirror* Staff 3-4, Editor-in-Chief 4; Camera Club 3; Masque 2-3; Contest Play Committee 2; Christmas Play 2; Cabaret Committee; Kid Party; Senior Play; Cap and Gown Committee; D. A. R. Representative; Tri-Hi 3-4, President 4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Sophomore Party Committee; Prom Committee; Baseball 1-2-3-4; Hockey 1-2-3-4; Volley Ball 1-2-3-4; Senior Play Reading Committee; SACHEM Staff; Class Prophecy; Navy Captain; Graduation Usher.



RAYMOND L. TRABOLD

99 Moore Street, North Agawam

Ray. Super dancer—well-dressed—I'm a "Honey"—likes girls and dates. Senior Play; Banquet Committee; Operetta 2; Hi-Y 3-4; Sophomore Party Entertainment; Senior Play Committee; Cheerleader 2-4; Cap and Gown Committee.



ROSE VELATA

602 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills

Has an engagement ring from that certain Marine—active in church affairs—has a definite opinion about things. Personality Club 2; Kid Party; Tri-Hi 3-4; Hockey 1; Senior Play Usher.



JEAN WEBSTER

Leonard Street, Agawam

Spitfire. Writes many letters to boys in service—pleasing personality—quiet and rather reserved. Class History; Prom Committee; Class Motto Committee; Graduation Usher; Senior Play Business Committee.

SHIRLEY WENTWORTH

43 Ley Street, Agawam

Sally. Good sport — succeeds in everything she tries — reads a lot — pretty clothes made by her mother.

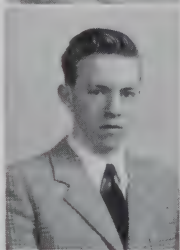
Pro Merito; International Relations Club 4; French Club 2-3; Kid Party; Class History; Tri-Hi 3-4; SACHEM Staff; Senior Play Property Chairman.



RICHARD JAMES WHITE

152 School Street, Agawam

Dick. Modest — quiet in company — interested in photography — his head can be seen above the crowd.



ELINOR ROSEMARIE WIELAND 41 Hall St., Feeding Hills

Pretty eyes — she and Rose are pals — quiet and calm — is he in the Navy, Elinor?

Personality Club 2; Senior Play Usher.



HAZEL A. WILCOX

515 Main Street, Agawam

Haze. Rather quiet but efficient — hearty laugh — pretty hair — friendly and pleasant.

Camera Club 4; French Club 2; Personality Club 2-4; Kid Party; Class History; Operetta Committee 2; Prom Committee; Class Motto Committee; SACHEM Staff; Usher for Graduation; Senior Play Property Committee.



ELIZABETH ZILLI

144 High Street, North Agawam

Norma. Petite, dark-haired, and cute — always cheerful — a nice person to know — is it going to be "Oh, nurse"?

Tri-Hi 3-4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Hockey 1; Volley Ball; Sophomore Party Committee; Senior Play Business Committee.



CLASS HISTORY

Time: A few days before graduation.

Place: In Room 21 (Jean and Hazel are chatting, when Alice and Shirley come into the room.)

Shirley: Hi, Kids!

Hazel: Hi!

Jean: Boy, will I be glad when we graduate!!

Shirley and Hazel: And how!

Alice: Oh, it hasn't been too bad. I can remember who the freshman class officers were.

Hazel: Wasn't Lew Jones president, and Margie Raffinetti secretary?

Alice: That's right. Lois Fournier was vice-president, and Donald Taddia was treasurer.

Shirley: We didn't do much in our freshman year, but the sophomore party was lots of fun. We had to bring a newspaper or magazine for admission.

Jean: I liked the decorations. They were so colorful — red, white, and blue, with navy anchors and life-preservers on the wall.

Hazel: Yes! That year was a success, with Lew Jones as president, Margie Helfrich as secretary, Jean Blackburn as vice-president and Donald Taddia as treasurer.

Alice: All of us went to the Junior Cabaret, didn't we?

Shirley: I know I did! And I had a wonderful time.

Hazel: Our Cabaret really went over with a "bang."

Jean: Most of us also went to our first prom that year. The girls all looked so pretty in their evening gowns.

Alice: The boys really looked "super" in their tuxes, too.

Shirley: I guess we owe a lot of our successful activities to the class officers: president, Lew Jones; vice-president, Lois Fournier; secretary, Jean Blackburn; and treasurer, Francis Hart. Lew Jones joined the Navy near the end of the year, and during the summer Francis Hart followed his example.

Hazel: What I enjoyed most in our senior year was the Kid Party. Betty Smith came dressed as a pickaninny and won the prize for the funniest girl. Eugene Magiera was chosen for the funniest boy.

Jean: The cutest boy was Ernie Scoville, and Margie and Evelyn were sweet as twins.

Alice: John Duplessis was the ideal Santa Claus. What a good laugh we had when Jasper sat on Santa Claus's lap and kissed him for his present!

Shirley: This year we had as our class officers Frank Caroleo as president, Evelyn Giordano as vice-president, Mary Manos as secretary, and Richard Langdon as treasurer. Charles Cartello was our treasurer at first, but he went into the Coast Guard, so we elected Richard as his successor.


Hazel: We chose as our Senior play "The Very Light Brigade" by Kathryn Prather. Of course, it was the best Senior play that was ever put on at Agawam High.

Alice: Since then the days have gone by fast, and just think — in two more days we'll be getting our diplomas. Hurrah!

All: Hurrah!

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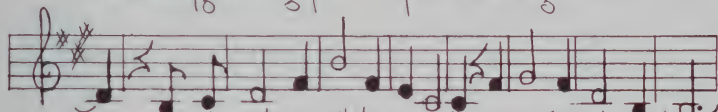


The Class of Forty-Four

Words by: Joyce M. Boue // Music by: Ernest G. Brasseur



The silvery gates swing open upon the winding road of life



may its stoney path be upward, away from storm and strife



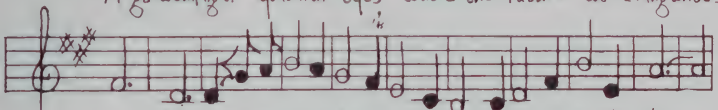
as we linger before parting, a tear dims many an



eye. In our memories deeply imbedded carefree days at



A-ga-wain'igh. Youthful eyes toward the future wondering what's



in store; as we venture forth upon that road the class of Forty Four.

Ernest G. Brasseur



JUNIOR CLASS

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CLASS WILL

We, the Class of 1944, being as sound of mind as we probably ever will be, in order to pass on our many excess talents and possessions, do make and publish this, our last will and testament. Herewith, we do dispose of many of our dearest possessions as follows:

To the Citizens of Agawam: Our gratitude for the educational opportunities we have received.

To Mr. Phelps: Norman Gauthier to serve as a caddy when he is out playing golf.

To Mr. Dacey: A secretary to keep him informed of the doings of the Class of 1944.

To Miss Dickerman: A home-room of quiet Freshmen to take the place of the "never-a-dull-moment" Seniors.

To the Faculty: An equally intelligent Senior Class.

To the Freshmen: A little more reserve.

To the Sophomores: Continued success with their social programs.

To the Juniors: A wish that they may be a model Senior Class.

Eleanor Cirillo: A free pass to the Riverside Rollaway.

George Chmael: A set of encyclopedias to match his ability in history.

Vera McCave: A thermometer to aid in her Nurse's Aid Course.

Richard Bennett: A week off during hunting season.

Festa Porter: A school operetta to display her singing ability.

Lilian Itkowitz: Another year in which to expose her cheerful disposition.

Valley Buiso: Joyce Casiello's recipe for height.

Donald Campbell: A permanent excuse slip to get out of school at noon.

George Casiello: A convertible like his cousin's.

Malcolm Fuller: One more year to spend with a certain Sophomore.

Virginia Clarke: Class choice as best all-around girl.

Thomas Rie: Mary McQuesten.

Beverly Longey: A pair of stilts so she may be seen above the crowd.

Louis Draggetti: A few more hours a day to spend with his "one and only."

Jean Molinder: An adding machine to make her noon sales check.

Lawrence Tetreault: Some vitamins to help him pick up his feet when he is dancing.

Amelia Lango: A chance to be Miss Personality of her class.

Henry Stepanik: A bugle so people will know he is around.

Rose Di Liddo: Another last name so Di Liddo and Di Lullo won't become confused.

Nancy Martin: A gymnasium of her own to train her athletic ability even further.

Roger Hynes: A chance to be chosen as the best-natured Senior boy.

Mary Hanrahan: Some determined fellow to break down her wall of reserve.

Shirley Rivard: A dose of Virginia Lockenwitz's boisterousness.

James Turner and John Turner: A free Charles Atlas course.

Alice Whitehead: A chance to equal Marjorie Raffinetti's records in typewriting.

Ri hard Napolitan: A horse and buggy to pick up that someone in Southwick.

Venetia Penna: A private telephone.

Ronald Kwiatkowski: Jerry Cassidy's nerve.

Norma Montagna: A medal for her worthy Red Cross work.

Paul Holmes: A sound-proof room to practice his music lessons.

Thelma Raison: Her cousin's place as the best singer in the Senior Class.

Robert McCann: A private seat in study hall.

Thelma Harrison and Louise Harrison: A pair of handcuffs so they may never be separated.

Harry Richards: A deferment to spend with a certain farmerette.

Josephine Di Lullo: A mirror to portray her charming mannerisms.

William Hoisington: A chance to give a lecture on Vermont.

Florida Tangocci: An opportunity to continue her study of art.
Doris Govoni: That certain aerial gunner.
Ronald Gibbs: Will Fusco's innocent manner.
Jean Waniewski: Her own shorthand book illustrating the perfection of shorthand notes.
Robert Washburn: A few more boys to keep him company in his bookkeeping class.
Mary Jane Earle: More glory and honor for her hard work.
Edward Letendre: His own study room so he won't bother other people trying to study.
Meredythe Barker: Another year to let her unceasing cheerfulness shine over all.
William Berard: Eugene Magiera's charm with the women.
Shirley Balboni: A hair style she likes well enough to keep permanent.
Frank Jones: A "C" gas ration book.
Beulah Campbell: A couple of weights to slow her down.
William Harrigan: Glue to keep his Ford on the road.
Jean Demarais: A share in Shirley Balboni's correspondence.
Donald Neill: A girl friend in school to hold his attention.
Barbara Peters: Some coloring to add to her beautiful white skin.
John Keane: The privilege of observing his own rules.
Sophie Roy: Continued success in dramatics.
Ronald Heywood: Another year to be president of his class.
Eleanor Ezekiel: More arm for all of her bracelets.
Edward Gallarani: His turn to be manager of Vincent's Market.
Constance Pariseau: A little bit more of her time spent in school.
Carlo Lavotti: A pair of glasses so he can see a few of the other people living on earth.
David Cornfoot: A tulip.
Lois Wills: Another year to pal with Valley Buiso.
Douglas Trevallion: A contract to play at the "Y" so he can be near his current heart throb.
Rita Gallagher: Something to talk about.
Francis Ehrhardt: A place in Ginny Clarke's heart.
Julia Woishnis: Sugar to sweeten her disposition.
Betty Magiera: Another year to be a class officer along with Ronnie.
Jenny Tessicinni: Some of Gloria Aldrich's vitality.
Fern Dearnley: Jeanne Letendre's secret for that slim waistline.
Loren Clark: A governor on his car so he won't get caught for speeding.
June Schwartz: A few more inches on her skirts.
Clayton Fuller: His own cowboy band.
Mary McQuesten: Nothing. She has everything.
Jarl Johnson: A car that starts.
Nancy Hamilton: Someone to appreciate such a nice person.
Bruno Maule: Phil De Palma's nutritious diet.
Dolores Borgatti: A Senior from Room 14.
Clarence Tourville: An extra study period a day to walk with Norma.
Jane Gravel: A contract with Kay Kyser to take the place of Ginny Simms.
Robert Southworth: A demotion so that he can spend an extra pleasant year in school.
Doris Losito: A car of her own so she won't have to be chauffeured around.

In witness whereof we do affix our seal this fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

EVELYN GIORDANO
 SHIRLEY HARE
 EUGENE MAGIERA
 MARJORIE RAFFINETTI
 SUSIE SADAK

WHO'S WHO 1944

	FIRST CHOICE	SECOND CHOICE
<i>Smartest boy</i>	John Duplessis	Kenneth Clarke
<i>Smartest girl</i>	Mary Quirk	Norma McKeown
<i>Most popular boy</i>	Eugene Magiera	Felix DePalma
<i>Most popular girl</i>	Evelyn Giordano	Shirley Hare
<i>Best looking boy</i>	Felix DePalma	Kenneth Oliver
<i>Best looking girl</i>	Evelyn Giordano	Joyce Fell
<i>Best boy athlete</i>	Felix DePalma	Kenneth Oliver
<i>Best girl athlete</i>	Barbara Hartley	Marjorie Helfrich
<i>Best-dressed boy</i>	Raymond Trabold	Thomas Blanchard
<i>Best-dressed girl</i>	Eleanor Castellini	Marjorie Helfrich
<i>Noisiest boy</i>	Jerry Cassidy	Raymond Trabold
<i>Noisiest girl</i>	Virginia Lockenwitz	Susie Sadak
<i>Best-natured boy</i>	Ralph Barker	Eugene Magiera
<i>Best-natured girl</i>	Mary Manos	Evelyn Giordano
<i>Wittiest boy</i>	Ernest Brusseau	Kenneth Oliver
<i>Wittiest girl</i>	Betty Smith	Beatrice Stratton
<i>Best boy singer</i>	Henry Fortier	William Cascella
<i>Best girl singer</i>	Jean Blackburn	Joyce Fell
<i>Best boy dancer</i>	Raymond Trabold	Felix DePalma
<i>Best actor</i>	Ernest Brusseau	Henry Fortier
<i>Best girl dancer</i>	Shirley Hare	Eleanor Castellini
<i>Best actress</i>	Betty Smith	Jean Blackburn
<i>Quietest boy</i>	William Fusco	Thomas Blanchard
<i>Quietest girl</i>	Shirley Wentworth	Mary Quirk
<i>Best all-round boy</i>	Eugene Magiera	Frank Caroleo
<i>Class choice for brother</i>	Ralph Barker	Thomas Blanchard
<i>Best all-round girl</i>	Evelyn Giordano	Mary Manos
<i>Class choice for sister</i>	Evelyn Giordano	Alice Steele
<i>Most mischievous boy</i>	Jerry Cassidy	Ernest Brusseau
<i>Most mischievous girl</i>	Susie Sadak	Betty Smith
<i>Boy most likely to succeed</i>	Frank Caroleo	Richard Langdon
<i>Girl most likely to succeed</i>	Beatrice Stratton	Mary Quirk
<i>Boy who did most for school</i>	Eugene Magiera	Frank Caroleo
<i>Girl who did most for school</i>	Beatrice Stratton	Alice Steele
<i>Class gentleman</i>	Frank Caroleo	Ralph Barker
<i>Class lady</i>	Mary Quirk	Marjorie Raffinetti
<i>Cutest girl</i>	Eleanor Castellini	Margaret Smith
<i>Sweetest girl</i>	Evelyn Giordano	Mary Quirk
<i>Boy with most pleasing personality</i>	Eugene Magiera	Frank Caroleo
<i>Girl with most pleasing personality</i>	Mary Manos	Evelyn Giordano



SOPHOMORE CLASS

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CLASS POEM

As a crimson, dauntless banner
Flaunts beneath a frowning sky,
We go forth into the battle,
Our hopes, our faith, our spirits high.

As the shadows twist and lengthen,
Where they creep upon the earth,
We shall strive to win protection
For this fair land of our birth.

As we stumble through the darkness,
Though rough and drear the way,
We know that stormy skies will brighten,
To bring forth a better day.

As the farmer reaps his harvest
From the bounty of his field,
So may we be rich rewarded
In the fruits that full lives yield.

Prepare, go forth, be not afraid,
Oh, class of forty-four.
Today we strive, tomorrow comes
The peace that follows war.

— VIRGINIA FIELDSTAD

GIFTS

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| <p>GLORIA ALDRICH <i>Glamour Magazine</i>
In your nicely tailored clothes
Within this book you could pose.</p> <p>CLAIRE BARDEN <i>Bowling Pin</i>
With this lucky bowling pin
A lot of games you're sure to win.</p> <p>RALPH BARKER <i>Test Tube</i>
If a chemist you'd like to be,
This tube will be a necessity.</p> <p>JEAN BLACKBURN <i>Music Book</i>
We know a great singer you'll be soon;
This music book will help keep you
in tune.</p> <p>THOMAS BLANCHARD <i>Fish Hook</i>
When you go fishing down by the brook,
Just take along this extra fish hook.</p> <p>JOYCE BOWE <i>Dancing Slipper</i>
For waltzes, fox trots, rumbas, too
This dancing slipper we have for you.</p> <p>MARJORIE BRAYTON <i>Joke Book</i>
If you ever meet some very dull folks,
Just read to them this book of jokes.</p> <p>ERNEST BRUSSEAU <i>Music Score</i>
Here's for you a music score—
Now get busy and write some more.</p> <p>FRANK CAROLEO <i>Sinatra Bow-Tie</i>
Wear this tie and maybe you
Will become a crooner too.</p> <p>WILLIAM CASCELLA <i>Car</i>
Many kids travel with you on the road;
Here's another car to help you carry
the load.</p> <p>JOYCE CASIELLO <i>Lipstick</i>
To bring your cheerful smile to light
Wear this lipstick red and bright.</p> <p>JERRY CASSIDY <i>Pencil</i>
A pencil for your thoughtful brain—
Let's hope it will remain the same.</p> <p>ELEANOR CASTELLINI <i>Record</i>
When dancing you so quickly move,
A swing record's right "in the groove."</p> <p>DONALD CATCHEPAUGH <i>Bright Necktie</i>
Your personality is so bright
This tie for you will be just right.</p> <p>WANDA CHMIELEWSKI <i>Flower</i>
This flower we present, for who
Could want a nicer friend than you?</p> <p>KENNETH CLARKE <i>Red Feather</i>
When you go hunting and want to have
some fun,
Just show a bull this feather and then
run.</p> | <p>ROSE COLE <i>A Rose</i>
A rose you are, and have the power
Of grace and beauty like that flower.</p> <p>FLORENCE CONKEY <i>Ankle Sox</i>
Square dancing is your delight—
These ankle sox should be just right.</p> <p>DOROTHY COOPER <i>Green Pin</i>
This little pin will really be keen
For a girl who looks so nice in green.</p> <p>MARGARET CRAIGIE <i>Perfume</i>
For a girl as sweet as you
Perfume, surely, is your due.</p> <p>ALICE DEFORGE <i>Stationery</i>
With this stationery you could bring joy
To that certain sailor boy.</p> <p>PHIL DEPALMA <i>Lucky Charm</i>
When you go out to sea someday,
This charm will bring plenty of luck
your way.</p> <p>HENRY DREWNOWSKI <i>Horse</i>
If a horse you ever should need,
Here is one you don't have to feed.</p> <p>JOHN DUPLESSIS <i>Nail Polish</i>
A bottle of nail polish for your thumb,
On which you may stick your wad of
gum.</p> <p>HENRY EARLE <i>A Comb</i>
This comb will help you get that wave
That makes the girls all sigh and rave.</p> <p>JOYCE FELL <i>Earrings</i>
Since earrings seem to add to your grace,
Here is another pair to adorn your face.</p> <p>VIRGINIA FIELDSTAD <i>Bells</i>
A quieter girl could never be found;
Wear these bells so we'll know you're
around.</p> <p>HENRY FORTIER <i>Cough Drops</i>
For your cough we give you these;
They'll help prevent that awful wheeze.</p> <p>LOIS FOURNIER <i>Pretty Pin</i>
You're dainty, sweet, and feminine, too—
This matching pin's our gift to you.</p> <p>WILLIAM FUSCO <i>Medal</i>
You are a gentleman, one of few
So this medal we give to you.</p> <p>EVELYN GIORDANO <i>Mirror</i>
This mirror reflects your lovely face
Too bad it can't your poise and grace.</p> <p>DOROTHY GOVETTE <i>Sky-blue Bow</i>
For you a bow like azure skies
To contrast with your warm brown eyes.</p> |
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- JOYCE GRANGER *A Swan*
If you ever should go down to the lake,
We hope with you this Swan you'll take.
- SHIRLEY HARE *Diary*
In this diary every night
Your daily doings you can write.
- BARBARA HARTLEY *Hearts*
With eyes of blue and golden hair
A lot of hearts you will ensnare.
- MARJORIE HELFELICH *Knitting Needles*
Your knitted sweaters are very rare;
So how about knitting some for the boys
over there.
- RICHARD LANGDON *Airplane*
Here is an airplane of our selection—
We hope you'll add it to your collection.
- ELIZABETH LAVIOLETTE *A Ghost Story Book*
When it is raining and the day is drear,
Read this book to bring you cheer.
- JEANNE LETENDRE *Quiz Book*
This book asks questions and gives
answers too;
So you needn't ever let any subject
bother you.
- VIRGINIA LOCKENWITZ *Brilliantine*
Be sure to use plenty of care
And carefully guard that lovely hair.
- EUGENE MAGIERA *Movie Contract*
Looks like yours and personality plus
Rate a movie contract as a gift from us.
- MARY MANOS *Memo Pad*
You have been very busy of late;
This memo pad will help keep you
straight.
- NORMA MCKEOWN *Picture of Turhan Bey*
Here's your favorite pin-up boy;
May his presence bring you joy.
- KENNETH OLIVER *Life Preserver*
This life preserver take with you
When you sail the ocean blue.
- MARY QUIRK *Kelly Green Bow*
For laughing Irish eyes so keen
Here's a bow of Kelly green.
- MARJORIE RAFFINETTI *Flower*
A delicate flower for you to wear
To accent your lovely, lustrous hair.
- ALBERT RAMAH *Stilts*
A pair of stilts for you, Shorty,
To make you look tall and sporty.
- IRVING RICHMAN *Special Pass*
To you we give a special pass,
So that you'll have priority on that
certain lass.
- VERA ROGERSON *Earrings*
For eyes of blue, we give to you
These earrings of a matching hue.
- SUSIE SADAK *Autograph Book*
If having friends is your delight,
Pray, in this book do have them write.
- EDWARD ST. PETER *Pen*
As famous you will someday be,
This pen is a necessity.
- ERNEST SCOVILLE *Yo-Yo*
You like to play with toys we know;
So how would you like a nice yo-yo?
- PAUL SMAERSE *Pint of Gas*
A pint of gas is your class gift,
So you can give the boys a lift.
- BETTY SMITH *A Part in a Play*
An actress like you should have good
parts;
So here's one from the bottom of our
hearts.
- MARGARET SMITH *Powder Puff*
A powder puff for you we chose
Because we like your pert little nose.
- ALICE STEELE *Candy*
Here's for you a candy treat
For a personality twice as sweet.
- BEATRICE STRATTON *A Key*
When you go out in the world to do
your best,
This key will open the door to success.
- RAYMOND TRABOLD *Book of Etiquette*
Your manners you shouldn't overlook;
So thoroughly read this etiquette book.
- ROSE VELATA *Four-Leaf Clover*
We give this lucky clover green
To help protect that certain marine.
- JEAN WEBSTER *Address Book*
With all the mail that you receive
This will help you we do believe.
- SHIRLEY WENTWORTH *Sewing Kit*
If you don't know how to knit,
You probably could use this sewing kit.
- RICHARD WHITE *Comic Book*
A comic book we give to you
To read when you have nothing to do.
- ELINOR WIELAND *Writing Paper*
Write him daily all the news;
Don't let him get those Navy blues.
- HAZEL WILCOX *Roller Skates*
These roller skates we give to you
Since that is what you love to do.
- ELIZABETH ZILLI *Lollipop*
Since you are so nice and sweet,
Here's a lollipop to eat.
- JOYCE CASIELLO
MARY QUIRK
JOYCE BOWE
ERNEST BRUSSEAU



FRESHMAN CLASS

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CLASS PROPHECY

CLASS OF 1944

Time: July 15, 1954

Place: Trip-a-gal-o Night Club

Characters: Prophecy Committee

Ralph: Oh, come on, gang, let's go in here. I know the head waiter, so we'll get some good food.

Mary: Club Trip-a-gal-o. It seems to me I read that Henry Drewnowski and William Fusco own this spot.

Marge: What a swell table! Here comes Frank Caroleo. You certainly have a "solid" band, Frank. That rendition of Wanda Chmielewski's newest polka was "super."

Betty: Who's your new red-headed torch singer, Frank?

Frank: Don't you remember Joyce Granger from Agawam? There are some more Agawam girls in the floor show that is just starting.

Beets: Oh, yes. There are Margaret Smith, Eleanor Castellini, and Margaret Craigie in the front row. Did you know they're Ray Trabold's best pupils in his dancing school?

Jean: Yes, I read about that in the New York Times last night. You certainly are doing a good job as editor-in-chief, Beets. Marjorie Raffinetti and Evelyn Giordano write the Charm Column, don't they?

Beets: Yes, and Paul Smarse writes the love-lorn column. Goodness! I guess we proved that the class of '44 at Agawam High School had more ambition than some people thought!

Jean: Yes, but that's just the newspaper world. What about the business world?

Ralph: Well, quite a few of the people from our class have gone into the manufacturing field. Richard White invented a stemless pipe which sells like hotcakes.

Marge: Henry Fortier's bow-ties are the loudest on the market. Bill Cascella, the new swoon crooner, uses them exclusively.

Frank: When I had my hair set Tuesday at DePalma's Beauty Studio, he used Irving Richman's "Ooey-Gooley Wave Set."

Mary: Gee, I just love to chew "Ginny-Gohn Gum." Virginia Lockenwitz and John Duplessis are making it from a special formula that they found in Norma McKeown's scientific encyclopedia.

Jean: Yes, that gum is even advertised over the radio every day just before my variety program goes on the air.

Betty: That's my favorite program! Joyce Bowe writes the script and Ernest "Elbert" Scoville is the star comedian.

Frank: Don't you love to hear Joyce Fell yodel! All the men swoon when she starts singing those cowboy songs.

Beets: I really think it's wonderful how Ernest Brusseau solves everybody's problems on his Good-Will Hour. He took Mr. Anthony's place when that poor man failed to solve his own problems and committed suicide.

Marge: Well, Edward St. Peter certainly is generous. He's the founder and financial backer of the Agawam Mercy Hospital.

Betty: How'd you know that?

Marge: I'm chief surgeon there, and Joyce Casiello is secretary to Dr. Eugene Magiera, the Chief-of-Staff. Jean Webster, Elizabeth Zilli, and Marjorie Brayton are on the staff of nurses.

Beets: I thought Shirley Wentworth was a nurse there?

Marge: Oh, no; she joined the Navy Nurse Corps. Speaking of the armed forces, remember that famous flying wolf patrol of the last war under the leadership of Capt. Kenny Oliver?

Jean: They certainly started out right during our days at Agawam.

Mary: Yes, remember how Sgt. Jerry Cassidy used to patrol the halls at school?

Beets: Not to change the subject, but how about going to the Ramah Square-Ring Circus with me tomorrow afternoon?

Marge: I'd love to go. I can hardly wait to see Richard Langdon, the tight rope walker who falls for all the girls.

Frank: What do you say, Ralph? We'll go to see Shirley Hare, the glamorous snake charmer.

Jean: All right then, and we girls will look in on Thomas Blanchard and Donald Catchepaugh, who have just come back from Africa with a collection of wild animals.

Marge: Let's go to the side show featuring Henry Earle, the contortionist and Kenneth Clarke, that amazing sword swallower.

Betty: Oh, I have to teach school tomorrow.

Ralph: Maybe Susie Sadak will close her business school for a day, and let all you teachers go.

Betty: Oh, I know Alice DeForge and Vera Rogerson would love to go.

Mary: Hey, did you know there are many people from our class in public life? Claire Barden is President of the National Committee for Church Bazaars. Rose Velata and Elinor Wieland are working with her.

Beets: Yes, there are many presidents from our class. Alice Steele is president of the International P.T.A.

Marge: Florence Conkey is president of the Grange, and Dorothy Cooper is secretary.

Beets: Ralph, you're president of the National Engineering Society, aren't you?

Ralph: Yes, and Betty Smith was so inspired by her part in the Senior Play that she's Chairman of the Home Defense.

Jean: Well, Jeanne Letendre is Secretary to the President of the United States! Is she busy now!

Betty: She helped Rose Cole get her job as chief librarian of the Smithsonian Institute.

Frank: Virginia Fieldstad is in Washington, too. She was just awarded the title of first poet laureate of the United States.

Jean: Speaking of women getting important positions, Lois Fournier, is the new head of the Trans-Alaskan Air Company.

Betty: And did you know that Mary Quirk is chief operator of the Agawam Telephone Company?

Ralph: Agawam's baseball team, captained by Barbara Hartley, is going to open the season next Wednesday with its first home game at Agawam Stadium. Dorothy Goyette will be the starting pitcher.

Marge: Oh, Mary, how's your chicken farm coming along?

Mary: Oh, Michigan chickens are the best!! I forgot to ask you. What ever happened to Gloria Aldrich?

Marge: Didn't you know? She married a sergeant.

RALPH BARKER
JEAN BLACKBURN
FRANK CAROLEO
MARJORIE HELFRICH
BETTY LAVIOLETTE
MARY MANOS
BEATRICE STRATTON



PRO MERITO

Eleven lasses and one lone lad — party, March 25, given by Miss Smith and Miss Ward — assembly March 31 — guest speaker, Dr. Fred Bratton — “Bob” Healy presented members with Pro-Merito pins (holding hand with each member!!) — usual Pro-Merito conventions omitted this year because of the war — songs by all-girl choir under the usual competent direction of Miss Perry.

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<i>Faculty Adviser</i>	MISS ELEANOR SMITH

Members — Gloria Aldrich, Jean Blackburn, Joyce Bowe, Florence Conkey, John Duplessis, Evelyn Giordano, Marjorie Helfrich, Norma McKeown, Mary Quirk, Marjorie Raffinetti, Beatrice Stratton, and Shirley Wentworth.



STUDENT COUNCIL

Extremely successful year — sold around \$10,000 of war stamps and bonds — sponsored Stage Door Canteen at High School Auditorium, Eastern States, and West-over Field — posted honor roll of graduates in the service — erected new mirrors in boys' and girls' basements — sold 500 pencils with football schedule printed on them and 200 Agawam banners — bought new records for noon dancing — enforced discipline rules and regulations.

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<i>Treasurer</i>	DAVID CORNFOOT
<i>Faculty Adviser</i>	MR. JOHN SCHINELLI

Senior Members — Frank Caroleo, Eleanor Castellini, Felix De Palma, Henry Fortier, Richard Langdon, Elizabeth LaViolette, Eugene Magiera, Marjorie Raffinetti, Alice Steele, Beatrice Stratton.



SENIOR PLAY CAST

Standing — Beatrice Stratton, William Fusco, Alice Steele, Ernest Brusseau, Betty Smith, Richard Langdon, Marjorie Raffinetti, Ernest Scoville.

Seated — Raymond Trabold, Shirley Hare, Jean Blackburn, Lois Fournier, Donald Catchepaugh, Frank Carleo, Evelyn Giordano.

SENIOR PLAY

"The Very Light Brigade" — presented April 21 — Mrs. Katharine Hadley, director — lively comedy of a girl whose patriotic zeal exceeds her better judgment.

CAST

Peggy Richardson	Betty Jane Smith
Ruth Richardson	Alice Steele
Bruce Richardson	Ernest Brusseau
Marion Haslip	Jean Blackburn
Georgia Brown	Evelyn Giordano
Violet Saunders	Marjorie Raffinetti
Spike Tanner	Richard Langdon
Lieut. Bill Sparks	Frank Caroleo
Private Ed Clark	Donald Catchepaugh
Lieut. Ned Barrows	Raymond Trabold
Jake Brooks	Ernest Scoville
Virginia Wade	Beatrice Stratton
Kate Smith	Shirley Hare
Ted	William Fusco
Ginny	Lois Fournier

Committees — Stage set, Boys from Fourth Period Shop Class; electrician, Albert Ramah; wardrobe, Concetta Casiello; prompter, Lois Fournier.

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The senior members of the basketball team were DePalma, Oliver, and Scoville. The team won thirteen of the eighteen games played.

DePalma and Drewnowski won letters for competing in the Western Massachusetts and Valley Wheel track meets in 1943.

In the Class of 1944 DePalma was chosen the outstanding athlete, receiving letters for football, basketball, and track.

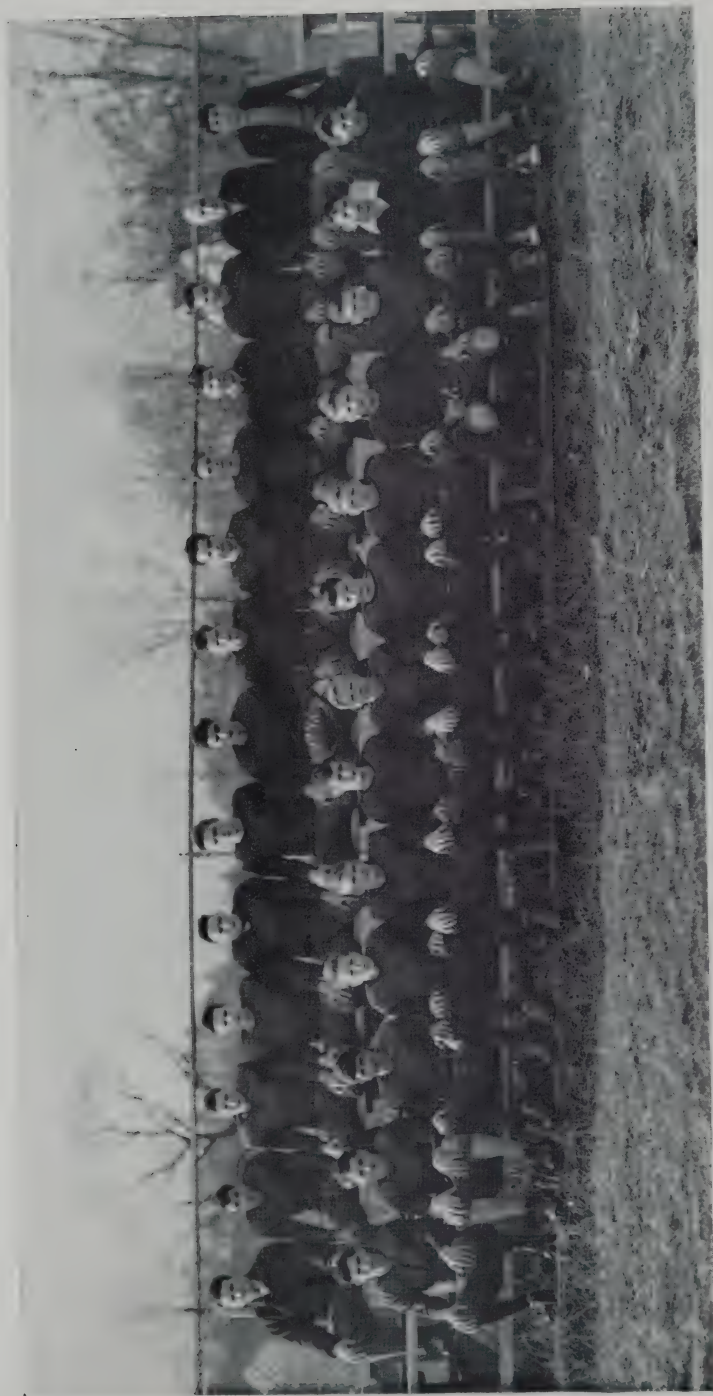
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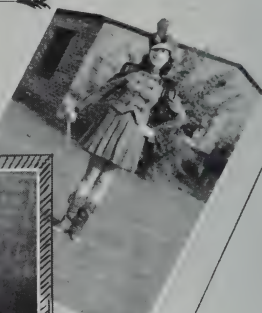


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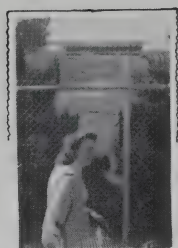
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